CLAIMS

We claim:

- 1 1. A method of activating and authenticating a wireless device in a secondary
- wireless communication system co-located with a primary wireless communication
- 3 system, the method comprising:
- 4 masking the control and activation signal strength associated with the primary
- 5 wireless communication system; and
- 6 coupling control and activation signals of the secondary wireless communication
- 7 system to the wireless device during the masking.
- 1 2. The method of claim 1, wherein:
- 2 masking the control and activation signal strength further comprises devising an
- 3 activation and control signal of the secondary wireless communication system so that it
- 4 exceeds in magnitude the activation and control average signal strength of the primary
- 5 wireless communication system as masked within defined spatial limits; and
- 6 coupling control and activation signals further comprises operating the wireless
- 7 device for activation purposes within the defined spatial limits.
- 1 3. The method of claim 1, wherein coupling control and activation signals further
- 2 comprises generating control and activation responses mimicking control and activation
- 3 scenarios of an interaction with the co-located wireless communication system.
- 1 4. The method of claim 1, wherein:
- 2 masking further comprises blocking radiation of the higher activation and control
- 3 average signal strength within a limited space at which the wireless device couples with
- 4 activation and control signals.
- 1 5. The method of claim 1, wherein:

2 masking further comprises directionally controlling control and activation signal

- 3 radiation of the secondary wireless communication system.
- 1 6. The method of claim 1, wherein:
- 2 coupling further comprises providing both analog and digital control and
- 3 activation signals.
- 1 7. The method of claim 2, wherein the activation and control signal of the
- 2 secondary wireless communication system operates at identical frequencies used by the
- 3 control and activation average signal strength of the co-located wireless communication
- 4 system.
- 1 8. The method of claim 1, wherein the secondary wireless communication system is
- 2 a private local communication system.
- 1 9. The method of claim 8, wherein the primary wireless communication system is
- 2 dominant wireless communication system.
- 1 10. The method of claim 9, wherein the primary wireless communication system
- 2 operate at a higher control and activation average signal strength.
- 1 11. A secondary wireless communication system overlapped by a primary wireless
- 2 communication system, and including radio access for activation and authentication of a
- 3 wireless device in the secondary wireless communication system, the secondary wireless
- 4 communication system comprising:
- 5 an automated private service activation (APSA) port for accepting access requests
- of a wireless device seeking activation in the secondary wireless communication system,
- 7 the APSA port radiating access control channel signals within limited spatial constraints;
- 8 and

9 a localized space for operating the secondary wireless communication system for

- 10 wireless devices activated by the APSA port.
- 1 12. The secondary wireless communication system of claim 11, wherein the APSA
- 2 port provides the access control channel radiating signals at a level exceeding a signal
- 3 level of the secondary wireless communication system only within limited spatial
- 4 constraints.
- 1 13. The secondary wireless communication system of claim 11, wherein the APSA
- 2 port is part of a base station having both analog communication channels and digital
- 3 communication channels.
- 1 14. The secondary wireless communication system of claim 11, wherein the APSA
- 2 port comprises a surface covering an antenna for placing a wireless device in proximity to
- 3 the surface to achieve access and authentication, wherein the access control channel
- 4 radiated signal exceeds a control channel signal level of the primary wireless
- 5 communication system.
- 1 15. The secondary wireless communication system of claim 11, wherein the APSA
- 2 port further includes an antenna accessible to a wireless device seeking access and
- 3 authentication that includes shielding that blocks a control signal level of the overlapping
- 4 primary wireless communication system.
- 1 16. The secondary wireless communication system of claim 11, wherein the primary
- 2 wireless communication system is a dominant wireless communication system over the
- 3 secondary communication system.

- 1 17. A method of accessing and achieving authentication from a secondary wireless
- 2 communication system in a region overlapped by a dominant wireless communication
- 3 system, the method comprising:
- 4 creating an access signal space in which radiated access control signal levels of the
- 5 secondary wireless communication system within the access signal space exceed access
- 6 control signal levels of the dominant wireless communication system;
- 7 receiving a wireless device seeking access to the secondary wireless
- 8 communication system within the access signal space;
- 9 receiving a search from the wireless device for a strongest control channel;
- selecting the control channel of the secondary wireless communication system by
- 11 reason of the proximity of the wireless device within the access space; and
- 12 authorizing and authenticating the wireless device for operation within the
- 13 secondary wireless communication system.
- 1 18. The method of claim 17, further comprising:
- 2 enabling the secondary wireless communication system to interwork with the
- 3 dominant wireless communication system.
- 1 19. The method of claim 17, further comprising:
- 2 billing service while in the secondary wireless communication system through the
- 3 dominant wireless communication system.
- 1 20. The method of claim 17, wherein the wireless device receives a number
- 2 associated with the wireless device and service provider information in advance of
- 3 accessing the secondary wireless communication system for allowing administration of
- 4 services within the secondary wireless communication system.